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SUBJECT: REOPENING OF NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

BEGIN SUMMARY: NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SPEAKER CHONG IL KWON TOLD AMBASSADOR MARCH 19 THAT ALL NATIONAL ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES WOULD CONVENE SHORTLY AND THAT HE EXPECTS A PLENARY NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SESSION TO BE CONVENED IN APRIL.  
END SUMMARY.

1. SPEAKER CHONG IL KWON TOLD AMBASSADOR MARCH 19 THAT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY WOULD RECONVENE SOON. ASKED TO ELABORATE, HE SAID THAT ALL COMMITTEES WOULD CONVENE TO CONDUCT BUSINESS WITHIN TWO WEEKS, MAINLY TO REVIEW THE MANY LAWS WHICH WERE PASSED BY THE EXTRAORDINARY STATE COUNCIL BETWEEN OCTOBER 17, 1972 AND MARCH 13, 1973. IN APRIL, HE THOUGHT, A PLENARY SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY WOULD CONVENE FOR ABOUT TWO WEEKS DURING WHICH THE NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY ( NDP ) WOULD BE PERMITTED TO AIR ITS COMPLAINTS AGAINST ALLEGED NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ELECTION IRREGULARITIES IN FEBRUARY AS NDP HAS BEEN DEMANDING. PRESS MARCH 20 REPORTS THAT NA COMMITTEES WILL CONVENE BEGINNING MARCH 22 FOR PURPOSE, AMONG OTHER THINGS, OF MEETING WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE MINISTRIES, AND THAT ASSEMBLY WILL CONVENE IN MAY TO REVIEW ECONOMIC,  
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DIPLOMATIC AND OTHER POLICIES.

2. CHONG SAID THAT PRESIDENT PARK IS EXTREMELY PLEASED  
ABOUT THE CALM AND ORDERLY DISPATCH WITH WHICH  
BUSINESS WAS CONDUCTED IN THE ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION OF THE  
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY LAST WEEK.

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